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From the Commodore:

Well, I finally gave in and pulled the boat. I always seem to forget how nasty the NW winds at 40 degrees can be in December. But it does give you a challenge in trying to find those fish nets (crab pots at night aren't bad enough) in a 3 ft chop on the way down to St. Clements. Hey, I've seen the Perfect Storm, I'm tough (yeah right). I really do hate to call it quits every year but the good news is that March is not that far away!

I want to take this time to wish all of you and your families a very Merry Christmas and hope that you winter well. This will be my last time to bore you with these silly little editorials. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as your Commodore for the past three years. I have met and made friends with a lot of new faces and I plan on continuing to support the DYC however I am needed. We have a club house to build. Even with limited funding and a pile of red tape hurdles, I think that we are closer than ever. With a little luck, we could see construction this spring. I want to personally thank Bill and Janine Armstrong (who are currently overseas on a work assignment) for their contribution to the building fund. Also Dave Bowen who has spent so much effort tracking down materials costs, doing and redoing plans (we've had a lot of challenges), and scoping out contractors. We will get there!!!! Happy holidays everyone.

See ya on the water!

Ron

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING and ANNUAL BANQUET

The General Membership Meeting will be at JD's on January 20, 2001 at 1700. There will be committee reports, a progress report on the new club house, and the election of officers for 2001. The Annual Banquet will following the meeting. See the flyer inside for more information.

Nominations for the 2001 DYC Board of Governors

Commodore-TomOwen Secretary - Charles Tatum

Vice Commodore - Steve Amick Treasurer-Bob Flath Dock Master-TommySaft Asst.DockMaster-DaveThompson Race Governor-Josh Colvell Membership Governor-Don Erskine SocialGovernor-Dave Bowen ExOfficio Member-RonCox NewsletterEditor-RexButler Training and Seam anship-Joe Futcher

Additional nominations for all BOG positions will be accepted during the Annual General Membership Meeting

Racing Program:

Another sucessful racing season concluded on October 23rd. The winners in the Fall Low Point series were - Radio Flyer (A Fleet) and Ol' Blue (B Fleet). The season High Point winners were - Radio Flyer (A Fleet) and Ol' Blue (B Fleet) with the Overall champ being Radio Flyer. Congratulations to the skippers and crews!

The Year End awards will be presented at the Annual Banquet on January 20, 2001. The George Forster Memorial trophy will be awarded to the boat that, in the opinion of the Race Committee, has had the best performance in Season High Points. The Most Improved trophy, as well as the highly coveted Don Quixote award, will also be presented.

Dock Master:

The dock has been winterized. Be sure to check the SOP if you leave your boat at the dock this winter. Do not interfer with the de-icers. The de-icers are there to protect the dock not your boat.

Training and Seamanship:

David Thompson has volunteered to rebuild the outboard engine on the club's Boston Whaler this winter. That should take some of the black magic and incantations needed to start the engine.

The autopsy report for the duck kill last winter indicated that the ducks died from cholera. Dr. Wray, CD287, has no idea how the disease was transmitted.

Ed. Note - The November 2, 2000 Metro section of the Washington Post had an article about ballast water from foreign cargo ships. Research had found evidence of cholera in the ballast water release into the Chesapeake Bay.